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TURKEY DECLARES WAR ON RUSSIA, AND GREAT BRITAIN

BRITISH LIGHT CRUISER HERMES SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE REPORTED

FRENCH PORTS ARE SOUGHT BY GERMANS

Germans With Renewed Energy Resumed Attempt to Reach French Ports---Boom of Big Guns Distinctively Heard on English Coast---Germans Claim Marked Successes.

REPORTS OF EVACUATION OF OSTEND BY GERMANS PREMATURE

LONDON, Oct. 31.—German attempts to reach channel ports were resumed with renewed energy Saturday. They gained ground at some points and were repulsed at others. Near Noast the advance was checked by an extension of the flooded area.

Today the battle raged with fury that marked the opening of the last phase of this campaign. The boom of big guns was distinctly heard on the English coast. Allies brought up land and sea forces to check the German effort.

It would seem the general situation remains the same as when exhaustion compelled the forces to stop for rest a few days ago.

Reports that Lille has been reoccupied by the French and Ostend evacuated by the Germans are considered premature, but around the city fighting of a most desperate character has been in progress.

The East Prussian front is again the scene of a big battle. Poland-Germans are said to be falling back to new positions near their own front while fighting in Galicia continues without material change.

The situation created by Turkish attacks on the Russian frontier and Russian ships is complicating. It is believed Russia made preparations to protect the Caucasian frontier but not to invade Turkish territory at present.

Probably the same attitude towards Egypt will be followed by England which according to an unconfirmed report has already been invaded by three thousand Bedouins. There is much speculation as to what location in the Balkan States Italy will take since Turkey's entrance into the struggle but nothing definite is known here.

OFFICIAL GERMAN REPORT.

BERLIN, Oct. 31.—The official German report says: "Our army in Belgium yesterday occupied Tamassapelle, ten miles east of Nieuport and Ploeghem and our attacks at Ypres are progressing. Zandvoorde, Chateau, Helvoet and Wemmelde have been stormed. Further south we have also gained ground in east Wambroek which has been stormed. Further south we also gained ground to east Selskoven."

The enemy has been attacked and during the day chased from several strongly fortified positions near Vailly. They captured one thousand prisoners and two machine guns. The enemy retreated across the river. In Artois east Verdun and north Toul, French attacks were repulsed with heavy losses.

The battle in the north-eastern theatre has not been decided. The Russians are slowly following our troops, which have been repulsed."

OFFICIAL BELGIAN STATEMENT.

HAVRE, Oct. 31.—Official dispatch from Belgian army headquarters: "Ypres attacks were made yesterday morning in the neighborhood of Ramschelle, Pervyse, first forcing our troops to cede ground and then repulsed with great loss. During the afternoon extended from Yser and railroad to Dixmude and reached the neighborhood of Pervyse. There has been no important fighting before Dixmude Huygson. No material change in the situation is to be expected."

COPPER CONTRABAND.

British Place Copper on List as Contraband of War.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Copper shipments will be considered absolute contraband by British government according to the revised contraband list published today by Ambassador Page.

Formerly it was on the conditional list.

WEATHER FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 31.—West Texas: Fair Sunday, with light to moderate west wind. East Texas: Fair Sunday and Monday. Southwest winds.

GOAT'S MILK FOR THE SIKHS IN FRANCE



Thousands of goats have been gathered at the camps in France where the East Indian troops are stationed, because the Sikhs drink only goat's milk.

DR. MARY CRAWFORD



Dr. Mary Crawford, the only woman ambulance surgeon of Brooklyn, N. Y., who sailed on the steamship Rochambeau with a party of American physicians who have volunteered for Red Cross work in France.

BRITISH CRUISER SUNK

ASSOCIATED PRESS. London, Oct. 31.—Official announcement;—British light cruiser Hermes sunk by German submarine in Straits of Dover today. Virtually all men and officers were saved.

Texas Bankers Believe That Eight Cent Cotton Will Soon Follow As Result Bankers Plan

J. A. KEMP CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF TEXAS BANKERS ASSOCIATION ISSUES HIGHLY OPTIMISTIC STATEMENT—EFFECT OF PLAN ALREADY BEING FELT HE SAYS.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 31.—J. A. Kemp, chairman of the executive committee of the Texas Bankers Association, and of the Committee on Cotton Relief Plans named a week ago issued a statement tonight expressing the conviction of the committee that the "present uncertainty of approval by bankers" of the resolution adopted by the Association at the Dallas meeting.

"The effect of the constructive work on the cotton situation is told in the advance in price during the week. The entire country, especially the south, looks to Texas for leadership in determining what things are best for the cotton industry," said Mr. Kemp.

The statement further says that the committee believes that the fundamental principles of resolution should be fully understood. The loan fund idea was carried out in the plan approved by the Federal Reserve Board, which the committee believes will be completed and available during the coming week. With the loan fund in operation, Mr. Kemp believes that the agreed minimum price of eight cents will soon be reached.

He reiterates the statement that an agreement should be made to reduce cotton acreage fifty percent, and points out the fact that when the committee was named cotton was selling around six cents and that with the issuance of their statement the tide was turned and the price began to climb.

In view of what happened, the committee

12 Pages Today

RUSSIANS HAVE PROGRESSED SAYS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

"IN FIVE DAYS OF UNSUCCESSFUL ATTACKS GERMANS LOST HEAVILY" SAYS STATEMENT.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. PETROGRAD, Oct. 31.—An official communication from the center of our fortified positions around Rikardowo have failed. In five days of unsuccessful attacks the Germans suffered heavily.

In many places a great accumulation of dead around our trenches, caused moderation of fire. Our troops progressed several districts along the Prussian front. Beyond Vistula we occupy four towns strongly. There is an essential change in Galicia," says the official statement.

KILLED IN BATTLE.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Oct. 31.—Lord Nairne, 49 years old, the second son of Marquis Londondown, conservative leader of the House of Lords, has been killed in action. He was a major in the First Dragoon and served in the South African War.

Lord Nairne, in 1909 married Lady Mary Elliott, daughter of Earl Minto, former governor general of Canada.

German-American Arrested In London Placed On Trial For Life, Tells of Spying

By Associated Press. LONDON, Oct. 31.—Cliff Hark Ledy, alias Charles A. Ledy, charged with espionage and on trial for his life before court martial, is a tourist agent for the Hamburg-American line and a well known New York society man, according to testimony given this afternoon. He took the stand as soon as the prosecution closed their case.

The prosecutor has declared the de-

TURKISH GOVERNMENT SEEMS READY FOR WAR

Summarily Dismissed All Communication With British Embassy at Constantinople Late Friday---France Expected to At Once Recall Ambassador from Turkey.

RUSSIA SEVERS ALL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SUBLIME PORTE

LONDON, Oct. 31.—It is officially announced tonight that the Turkish government has summarily shut off all communication with the British Embassy at Constantinople, this evening late Friday, and announcing that the British government must take whatever action is required to protect British interests in Turkish territory and Egypt. Attacks have been made or threatened.

An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Athens says the Russian Ambassador and his staff have left Constantinople. It is believed in official circles at Athens that the question of peace in the Balkans depends solely on the attitude of Bulgaria. Greece is watching the situation closely although adhering to the policy of neutrality.

RUSSIANS MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Semi-official news reports from Russia say that because of an attack by German-Turkish warships against the Russian coast on the Black Sea the Russian government enjoined on the same day the Russian Ambassador to Turkey to announce to the sublime Porte the rupture of diplomatic relations with Turkey and the departure of the Ambassador with all members of his embassy and various consulates.

The protection of Russian interests in Turkey has been confided to the Italian government.

The Central News Agency says an official message received from Constantinople states that the Russian fleet has attacked the Turkish fleet near Sebastopol, on the Black Sea.

WASHINGTON RECEIVES NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—War has been officially declared between Russia and Turkey according to a private message from Constantinople to the United States that was received through government channels today. The message was dated Friday.

AMBASSADOR WILL DEMAND PASSPORTS.

By Associated Press. BORDEAUX, Oct. 31.—It is believed here that the Ambassadors of Great Britain, France and Russia, composing the Triple Entente, at Constantinople will demand the recall of all German navy officers from the service of the Turkish government, aboard Turkish warships. If such demands are not met the Ambassadors will demand their passports.

WAR HAS BEEN DECLARED.

By Associated Press. VANCOUVER, Oct. 31.—Official dispatches received today by custom officials from Ottawa, state the war has broken out between Great Britain and Turkey. A dispatch from Constantinople says that a Turkish cruiser has bombarded Sebastopol.

ITALIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Oct. 31.—A Rome dispatch to the Reuters Telegram Company says the Italian cabinet has resigned.

Turkey has formally annexed Egypt is the German official statement by the Marconi Company.

CATHOLIC PRIESTS FROM MEXICO HAVE REACHED TEXAS

NINE MEN ARRESTED AND PLACED IN JAIL FOR TWO MONTHS IN ZAMORA.

By Associated Press. LAREDO, Oct. 31.—Nine Roman Catholic priests, all Mexicans, who were arrested about two months ago in Zamora, Michoacan, Mexico, and were incarcerated there until four days ago, arrived from Mexico late last night and left this morning for San Antonio, where they will be taken care of.

The priests came from different parts of the state of Michoacan and were arrested by the Carrancistas and placed in one cell in the Zamora jail, where they received only scant food supplied them by friends, the authorities providing them with nothing to eat.

They tell of many indignities and abuses to which they were subjected and some of the ministers are in deplorable physical condition as a result thereof. Four days ago the priests were ordered deported and have been to the Texas border.

Wm. Kieboeg of San Antonio was among yesterday's arrivals at the Nueces.

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